

Stanislaus County Fair

Ride Descriptions 2010

SPECTACULAR RIDES

Nitro

From two claws attached to the end of a giant arm that swings like a pendulum, it's hard to tell which way is up. The majestic **Nitro** lifts riders high into the air, 24 at a time. As the main boom swings back and forth, the base of six groups of seats begin to spin! This is a thrilling, unforgettable experience for young adults and a spectacular show, day or night.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

Energy Storm

The **Energy Storm** is a spectacular ride that takes 24 riders for the spin of their lives. Each bucket spins in the air, causing the rider to go upside down, while the main arms spin around to create another spinning sensation. The energy this ride creates is sure to thrill even the seasoned ride enthusiast.

Riders must be at least 57" tall to ride

Super Shot Drop Tower

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The world-class Super Shot Drop Tower is one of Butler Amusements' newest acquisitions. Unlike any other ride on our midway, the new Super Shot will bring a new dimension of thrills to your carnival goers. 12 passengers are loaded into each circular passenger station. Over the shoulder harnesses secure patrons while they are gently lifted up the 90 foot tower. Once the passenger station reaches the top, it is released in an accelerated freefall and riders experience G-Forces in excess of 3½ times normal. Riders are then cushioned by a magnetic braking system stopping the station before it reaches the base of the tower. The Super Shot is an exciting spectacular addition to the Butler midway.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

Himalaya

You won't have to make the trek to the snowy slopes of the Swiss Alps to experience the rush of a toboggan ride. See the fair in a blur as the fabulous **Himalaya** takes you on a fast, up-down-around trip faster and faster, then backward too.

Riders must be at least 52" tall to ride or 42" with an adult

Giant Scooters

A new innovation on a traditional ride, our **Scooters** are state-of-the-art. Riders, seated in their "cars" begin a trip over a rectangular floor, bumping and dodging other drivers

in their way! Coupled with the thrill of the ride is a light show, TV videos visible around the center of the platform, music and more special effects at night! The **Scooters** are a custom-built attraction – the first in the United States, available only through Butler Amusements.

Riders must be at least 52” tall to ride or 42” to ride with an adult

Giant Wheel

A towering tradition of Butler Amusements, the majestic **Giant Wheel** dominates the Midway day and night, offering patrons a sweeping view from a height of nearly 100 feet! Passengers are seated in separate gondolas and then whisked smoothly over the top and down again, reminiscent of the ferris wheel. The **Giant Wheel** is a pleasant ride for the entire family.

Riders must be 18 years old or at least 46” tall to ride with an adult

Flying Swinger

For those who crave more than a roller coaster seat, the **Flying Swinger** offers the thrill of flight with the freedom to get one’s feet out in the open air. This swing ride is vibrant yellow with beautiful hand painted murals of scenes from around the United States gracing its entire facade. Adults and teens love the gentle swooping glide as the swing lifts up, tilts and revolves, all at the same time.

Riders must be at least 44” tall to ride

Ring of Fire

Love of the Midway is a burnin’ thing, and in this case, it makes a fiery ring. On the **Ring of Fire** passengers are firmly secured in their seats within a train of cars and are taken on a journey that circumnavigates the inside of a ‘ring of fire’. The train pauses only once at the top before cascading down the track backwards! The **Ring of Fire** is a spectacular ride just for teens and adults.

Riders must be at least 48” tall to ride

Zipper

The **Zipper** has been one of the Midway’s most recognizable attractions for years, providing thrills to riders from teens to adults. There’s more spinning going on with the Zipper than an out of control top. While the ‘cages’ holding two passengers each rise and descend on a tower boom, each spins independently and the entire boom turns, too. Three times the action, backed by spectacular lighting bringing them back for more.

Riders must be at least 50” tall to ride

1001 Nachts (Nights)

Our European **1001 Nachts** ride is a spectacular bright ride on the midway and is a thrill to fairgoers. It is a platform ride that goes completely up and over in a circular fashion as riders leave their stomach behind. This colorful attraction replaces the older falling star ride which we used to use on our midways.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

MAJOR RIDES AND SHOWS

The Viper

The Viper ride is a recent acquisition that Butler Amusements will be bringing to the midway this year. A colossal ride with a brilliant green snake theme will take riders on a whirlwind journey. The large arm across the entire top of the ride tilts and spins. At each end of the giant arm are two clusters holding two part seating which spin independently as well. The open air design allows riders to experience spectacular twirling views . The Viper seats 24 passengers and uses state of the art shoulder bars.

Riders must be at least 44" tall to ride

The Gravitron

The lights and excitement of the midway literally become a blur as **The Gravitron** sweeps you off of your feet. Spinning at 24 RPM, The Starship 2000 uses centrifugal force to float the passengers off the floor, giving them the feeling of weightlessness. All aboard this 45-person capacity Gravitron for one wild ride.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

The Crown Merry Go Round

For decades, audiences have been awed by the beautifully handcrafted majesty of the carousel. To witness The Crown Merry Go Round is to see this piece of Americana in all its glory. This 30 foot Americana Themed Carousel features jumping horses, and 2 chariots. Parents and children create memories while they enjoy the sights and sounds of this beautiful ride together!

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Cyclone

The Cyclone is a thrilling ride that is enjoyed by kids, teens and families of all types. The Tornado has 8 uniquely designed spherical passenger vessels each with a capacity of 4 persons. Each vessel includes a centrally located steering wheel which enables the passengers spin the cars themselves. The Cyclone lifts 7 ½ feet into the air and tilts 20 degrees for a terrific ride sensation.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

Tilt-A-Whirl

Round and round they go and where they stop, nobody knows! An old favorite that has thrilled and excited patrons for generations, the **Tilt-A-Whirl** is a swirling experience for teens and adults. Separate cars rotate individually as the entire ride revolves up, down and around!

Riders must be at least 46" tall to ride alone

Mardi-Gras

Celebrate one of America's brightest and boldest holidays without having to travel far. **The Mardi Gras** is a self-contained celebration of the famed New Orleans Holiday. Two stories of exciting mirror mazes, moving escalators, music and lights combine for thrills, inside and out – day or night!

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

The Century Carousel

For decades, audiences have been awed by the beautifully handcrafted majesty of the carousel. To witness **The Century Carousel** is to see this piece of Americana in all its glory. This 38 foot Americana Themed Carousel features 36 jumping horses, and 2 chariots. Parents and children create memories while they enjoy the sights and sounds of this beautiful ride together!

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Scrambler

Zig and zag your way to an amazing time on the **Scrambler**. Families delight as they spin in two directions at the same time. The Scrambler has 12 seats each seat capable of holding 3 people. The main frame spins as each arm of seats spins independently, creating a feeling of funky flight. The Scrambler also features Deluxe Lighting and programmed incandescent "Ultra Lights."

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Eagle 16

A staple of the American Midway, this 16-seat ferris wheel has eight front facing cars holding two riders in each. It offers both a gentle ride around the 360-degree vertical circle and a thrilling view, as riders are lifted high above the ground and able to see for miles.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Vortex

The Vortex has a familiar look of a swing ride, but with an extra special kick that multiplies the fun and excitement. Four arms are connected to seats in pods of three. Each pod of seats spin counterclockwise while the entire arm turns counterclockwise

giving riders the feeling of being in the center of a crazy vortex. The Vortex has 18 seats each holding 2 adults per seat.

Riders must be at least 48" tall to ride

Slide

The Stanislaus County Fair has been a playground for kids of all ages for nearly 100 years. And no playground would ever be complete without a **slide**! Kids of any age enjoy the thrill of this giant slide as they sail down the undulating path. Passengers climb a stairway, higher and higher to the top of the slide and then laugh and squeal with delight as they sail to the bottom.

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

FAMILY RIDES (Rides that adults and children may ride together)

Wacky Worm

The **Wacky Worm** coaster is designed for the whole family. This two level family roller coaster is a great way for the entire family to enjoy the carnival. This brightly painted worm, surrounded by flower cup lights, is a charming addition to the Midway.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Rio Grande Train

All aboard!! This fun-filled train trip for the whole family takes place in classic train cars. Passengers board the train at the station and with merry music, and bright scenery, the journey begins around a circular track. Fun for everyone is in store on the Rio Grande Train.

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

Tea Cup

This family ride has a beautifully detailed teapot centerpiece and six teacups with four seats each for a total capacity of 24. Fiberglass vehicles are installed on a rotating platform. Each car is equipped with a steering wheel that controls the speed of its individual rotation. The tea cup is a hit amongst riders of all ages.

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

Bear Affair

On the **Bear Affair** four jolly bears welcome children and parents aboard for a smooth ride. Passengers can move the ride at their own pace by turning a giant steering wheel

inside the bear's belly spinning themselves round and round while the entire ride revolves as well.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

Lolli Swing

Enjoy all of the fun of the sweet colors and savory sensation of a lollipop without the calories and sugar! This brightly colored ride has 16 swings decorated with large swirl lollipops and lights. The centerpiece is a large clown complete with a red nose and floppy shoes.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult

1st Squadron

The **1st Squadron** is a great ride for the whole family! These jet fighters have a small steering wheel that allows the children to maneuver the ride up and down as if they are the ones flying the jet through the air.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride

Jump Around

The new jump around is a first of its kind, fully interactive family ride that is sure to be a hit amongst kids of all ages. Brand new to Butler Amusements in 2007 the jump around combines dune buggy themed vehicles with a unique, patent pending interactive bouncing motion. Up to four children or one adult and two children can be accommodated in each vehicle for a capacity of 600 rides per hour.

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

Corvettes

Get your little motor runnin' on this high-octane kiddy ride. The Corvettes is an umbrella ride with mini classic cars to ride in which travel in a 360 degree rotation. This ride will bring out the little grease monkey in any child!

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

Kid Wheel

The Kid Wheel is exactly like a miniature Ferris wheel. With six cars holding two children each the Kid Wheel gently travels around and down for a tyke size view.

Riders must be at least 36" tall to ride

Shrek

Everyone's favorite Ogre now has his own themed ride! **Shrek** the ride is sure to be an all time favorite! Shrek features walk through punching bags, a cargo net climb, covered

super slide and many more features will keep the littlest of visitors wanting to come back for more.

Riders must be at least 42" tall to ride or 36" to ride with an adult